

The Nutrition Society

MINUTES OF THE 9th ANNUAL CHARITY MEETING OF THE NUTRITION SOCIETY, A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Held by Video Conference

At 13.00 on Wednesday 15th July 2020

Professor Julie Lovegrove, President of the Society, was in the Chair

1(i) Welcome and apologies for absence

The President welcomed members to the 9th Annual Charity Meeting. A minute's silence was held for the recently deceased members the Society has been notified of – Professor John Dickerson, Dr Gail Goldberg.

1(ii) Minutes of 8th Annual Charity Meeting

The minutes of the 8th Annual Charity meeting were approved by the meeting.

The proposer was Professor Sue Lanham-New and the seconder was Dr Adrienne Cullum.

2. The President's report

The President (Professor Julie Lovegrove) re-affirmed the six principal activities as being:

1. Publishing five internationally renowned learned journals;
2. Publishing nutrition textbooks
3. Dissemination of scientific information through its publications and an annual programme of scientific conferences.
4. Providing education and training for nutrition professionals and members.
5. Developing collaboration with nutrition societies around the world.
6. The provision of membership services

She provided the meeting with an overview of the key achievements and events for the Society in 2019 using a series of infographics (a copy is attached to these minutes). Professor Lovegrove concluded by thanking the members of the Trustee Board, Council and staff for their work and support.

3. To receive the approved annual accounts of the Society

The Treasurer, Professor Chris Seal, delivered the annual accounts. He reported the accounts had been audited by BWMcFarlane with no reported observations. 2019 was a satisfactory year, financially, for the Society. The Society recorded income of £1,320,595 of which £1,085,531 came from publishing the Society's journals.

Professor Seal noted that hosting the FENS Conference in 2019 has produced a modest profit share for the Society of £30,841. Expenses for the year across all activities totalled £1,561,305. Professor Seal outlined the recovery made in 2019 in the Society's investment portfolio from its 2018 reduction, with a closing balance of £1,068,998. In concluding, Professor Seal stated that with a net worth of £2,109,168 the Society is in a strong position to meet all its immediate financial commitments and objectives.

The accounts were received in full.

The proposer was Professor Ian MacDonald and the seconder was Dr Bernard Corfe.

4. **To elect Trustees**

Professor Susan Lanham-New (Honorary Secretary) and Dr Bernard Corfe (Honorary Programmes Officer) were '**re-elected unopposed**' for a further three year term.

The proposer was Dr Eileen Gibney and the seconder was Professor Chris Seal.

The results of the ballot for the election of the Trustee position of Honorary International Affairs Officer was announced. Ms Barbara Bray was elected into the position for a three year term.

6. **To transact any other Business of the Society**

No other business was submitted prior to the meeting; Professor Julie Lovegrove drew the meeting to a close.

7. **Meeting concludes**

There being no further business, this concluded the meeting at 1330 hrs.